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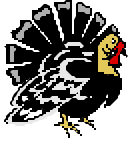
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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE



### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was fully steady, instances firm. Demand was moderate. No trading was reported. Offerings are light and held with confidence. Bulk parts and meats trading was light to moderate. Demand slowed due to the upcoming holiday. Offerings were mixed from short to adequate.

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading centered on thigh meat, with a small volume of tails, balance slow. A sale was noted on packer labeled hens for export at 68 cents. Demand was limited. Offerings light to moderate.

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **MAY 25, 2005**

#### **CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/**

#### **FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/**

#### **OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/**

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
<b>8-16 LB HENS</b>									
EASTERN REGION 3/	67-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	67-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	67-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>16-24 LB TOMS</b>									
EASTERN REGION	67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **MAY 24, 2005**

#### **CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/**

#### **FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/**

#### **OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/**

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
<b>8-16 LB HENS</b>									
EASTERN REGION 3/	67-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	66-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	67-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>16-24 LB TOMS</b>									
EASTERN REGION	67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	65-67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS** INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 24 MAY 2005.

The market tone on tom breast meat and destrapped tenderloins was mostly steady for pre-holiday needs, breast trim steady to instances firm, scapula steady at best, and wing meat with skin barely steady to instances weak. Demand on tom breast meat and destrapped tenderloins was light to moderate, breast trim moderate to instances good, balance very light to light. Offerings of tom breast meat and destrapped tenderloins adequate to instances fully adequate for pre-holiday needs, breast trim light at best, scapula uneven and wing meat with skin adequate to ample. The market tone on thigh meat was steady to instances weak. Demand light for the adequate to ample offerings. Decreased strength was starting to be noted in both fresh and frozen mechanically separated turkey in response to the increased offerings. Some increased spot availability was also noted on tom drums. Trading slow. For domestic: Grade A basted 16-20 lb. breasts 130 and non-basted (part load) 150, plant grade basted 18-20 lb. breasts (part load) 143 cents delivered. Mixed hen and tom machine defatted gizzards 39.50 cents delivered export.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		M	105.00	160
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		M	145.00	21
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		M	104.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	45.00		45.00	20
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	44.00		44.00	120
DRUMSTICKS, HEN				
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	26.00		26.00	58
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	42.00-45.00		43.44	64
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	89.00		89.00	20
NECKS, TOM	39.00-42.00		40.60	100
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	170.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/		M	172.00	40
THIGH MEAT		F	84.00	8
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	84.00		84.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT		W	140.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT	103.00		103.00	40
TENDERLOINS		W	154.38	24
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	150.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		F	169.16	116
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	77.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	44.50	160
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	52.00		52.00	20

#### EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	43.00-47.00		45.26	92
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		M	24.00	104
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	79.50-81.50		80.17	156

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted. 3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	88-96
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	88-96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	68-73
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	67-72
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	67-74

#### SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	105-123
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	99-123
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	99-116
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	98-120
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	98-122

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The market tone on tom drums and necks was steady to instances firm, tom wings steady. Demand was moderate to good on drums with best interest noted for South Korea into export channels and for ground turkey for domestic. Demand on the balance of tom bulk parts was light to instances moderate with some blaming the slowness on the upcoming holiday weekend. Offerings of tom drums and necks light at best but spotty, tom wings adequate to fully adequate. The market tone on rib breasts was steady to firm. Demand light to instances moderate on consumer sized rib breasts, moderate to good on institutional sizes. Offerings light, spotty and generally held with confidence. Trading was moderate on fresh tom breast meat for current shipments and on plant grade 4-8 lb. breasts for May-July shipments, balance slow. Grade A basted 18-20 lb. breasts 125 cents delivered domestic. For export: hen drums 39.50, fresh thigh meat 83 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		M	105.00	160
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/	145.00-158.00		151.84	38
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	96.00-97.00		96.17	480
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	44.00-46.00		45.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		T	44.00	120
DRUMSTICKS, HEN				
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	26.00		26.00	240
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	45.00		45.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	87.00		87.00	80
NECKS, TOM	41.00		41.00	80
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	170.00		170.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	170.00-172.00		170.67	480
THIGH MEAT		F	84.00	8
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		T	84.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT	141.00		141.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		T	103.00	40
TENDERLOINS		W	154.38	24
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	150.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	170.00-172.00		171.00	200
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	77.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	44.50	160
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	50.00-53.00		51.44	215

#### EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		T	45.26	92
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		M	24.00	104
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS	27.00		27.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	79.00		79.00	104

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#### **BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 05/25/05**

POULTRY HEALTH BOARD	CUMULATIVE		
SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITE	BREEDS
2004-2005	Data unavailable		
2003-2004			